

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

Held on 18th May 2021 at 6.45 pm
At The Old School, Castle Way Willington

AP180521/1 Welcome and Apologies

Apologies were received from T. Bartram, C. Blanksby and A. MacPherson.

AP180521/2 Declarations of Interest

None received.

AP180521/3 Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting 22nd May 2019

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 22nd May 2019 were agreed as a true record.

AP180521/4 The Parish Council's Annual Report – presented by Willington Parish Council Chairman Cllr Phill Allsopp

“Although I’ve been Chairman for the last two years, this will be my first Chairman’s report due to last year’s Annual Parish meeting being cancelled due to the lockdown caused by the Covid 19 pandemic.

The last year has been a difficult year due to the restrictions placed on all of us due to the pandemic. We’ve endured two lockdowns and have been restricted in almost everything that we’ve done. As from Monday the 17th May 2021 we’re finally having some of the restrictions removed and the country is gradually opening up.

First I’d like to thank my fellow Councillors for their support and hard work throughout the year. A thank you goes out to Claire Carter for her hard work whilst on the Council, in particular for pioneering the TRPF project. She will be missed. Another thank you goes out to Martyn Ford and Andy MacPherson for their help and support within their roles as our District Councillors for SDDC and in Martyn’s case DCC as well.

I’d also like to Welcome Chris and Sophie Mead who are joining the Parish Council this evening, I’m sure that they’ll be an asset to the Council.

Now I’ll update you on the progress we have made,

An outdoor gym has been installed on Hall Lane playing field at a cost of approximately £12,000, it’s seems to be extremely popular, I’ve had many positive comments from Parishioners.

Planning permission has been sought to refurbish the players changing rooms plus an additional changing room for the officials. An office for the Parish Clerk plus a community hall for general use of villagers and Scouts alike. An area for storage will also be incorporated. It is estimated that this will cost around £175,000 - £200,000 .We have committed £100,000 from our budget, the rest will hopefully made up of 106 monies plus grants.

We’ve allocated a budget from the 106 monies for refurbishing the tennis courts, this will hopefully take place during the summer months.

We’ve also donated money to;

Village Hall - £10,000 for an extension and a further £1,000 for a patio.

Derbyshire Wildlife Trust - £3749 towards building a bridge on the proposed Circular pathway from Meadow Lane.

We've also contributed to SDDC play and support activities that take place on TRPF but unfortunately SDDC have cancelled this year's event due to Covid.

Finally I'd like to thank everyone who has participated in making our village a better place to live, in particular everyone who has participated in endless litter picks around our village".

AP180521/5 Matters raised by Electors

- a) Have SDDC taken over the land at the Potlocks?

This was currently unknown.

- b) Have SDDC taken over the land adjacent to the Drs Surgery (Playing Field)?

This was Persimmon land and it was understood that they were in discussion with SDDC.

- c) Are allotments all taken?

All Willington Parish Council allotments are currently taken.

AP180521/6 Closure of Meeting

The Meeting closed at 6.55 pm.